

THE WEATHER

Probably Showers Tonight. Friday
Cloudy

TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	74 7/8
Copper	31 3/4
Lead	10 1/2
Quicksilver	\$110

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RUSSIAN CRISIS IS SETTLED

REBORN RACE WILL NOT YIELD TO GERMAN INTRIGUE

PRESIDENT'S INVISIBLE CABINET
IS CHARGED WITH FAVORITISM
IN AWARDEING WAR CONTRACTS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—The senate was in quite a temper when it reconvened to continue the debate on the war budget when it found a full and accurate account of the secret session had been published in the newspapers. Senator Thomas said: "The reports were more accurate than publications of open session proceedings. The sooner we abandon the farce of secret sessions the better."

Myers, of Montana, said he regarded the senate's vote against newspaper censorship as a declaration of congressional intent for complete freedom of the press.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—In beginning consideration yesterday of the war budget the senate devoted the entire session to sweeping criticism of the executive branch of the government. Seldom has the senate chamber been the scene of such vehement attacks which continued for five hours behind closed doors and renewed after the doors were opened.

No progress was made on the bill but last night senate leaders thought passage of the huge war appropriation measure would not be long delayed.

The council of national defence, composed of cabinet officers, its civilian committee and the government shipping board were special targets of senatorial wrath. President Wilson himself was sharply criticized. The council was charged with usurpation of authority and of unlawfully delegating power to the advisory commission. The shipping board was assailed for agreements with private ship owners and for insistence on its wooden ship program. The president was attacked for alleged lack of co-operation and consultation with congress.

The upshot was the adoption of an amendment by Senator Sterling of South Dakota, setting forth that the powers of the council of national defence shall not be considered enlarged because of war conditions. A bill appropriation \$500,000 for the defence council was the basis for the debate.

Democratic Leader Martin consented to an executive session, suggested by Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, because the whole bill involved discussion of military secrets.

LOSSES TO SHIPPING

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, May 17.—Losses to Italian shipping during the last week as a result of Germany's submarine campaign were two steamers under 1900 tons each and seven small sailing craft. Some fishing boats also were sunk.

FOR THE LIBERTY LOAN

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Secretary McAdoo left the capital last night on a ten-day speaking tour of the middle and central west in behalf of the liberty loan.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—The war army bill lacks only the senate's approval of the conference report and the president's signature.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1917	1916
5 a. m.	45	41
9 a. m.	58	52
12 noon	60	61
2 p. m.	59	64
Maximum 10th	60	62
Minimum 16th	42	41

Relative humidity at 2 p. m., today, 17 per cent.

cussion of confidential military question. Five hours afterwards the doors were opened because Republican senators, including Lodge, Norris and Brandage, suggested it was not proper that such statements as had been heard should be made without cognizance of the public and without opportunity for those attacked to offer defence.

Democratic senators it was said afterwards, began the discussion by criticising certain acts of the advisory committee. Senator Reed of Missouri was said to have been particularly vehement. Senator Lewis of Illinois vigorously condemned certain activities of the committee, especially regarding the letting of government contracts and offered an amendment to the law creating the defence council to provide that hereafter men shall be appointed to the advisory committee subject to the senate's confirmation.

Some senators said President Wilson was not kept properly informed regarding supply purchasing. Others declared that the president and the cabinet, without warrant of law, had

SIX ASSAULTS
ARE REPULSEDFRENCH INFLECT HEAVY LOSSES
ON ENEMY IN HOLDING
POSITION

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, May 17.—The French repulsed six German assaults on their lines with heavy losses. Three attacks were north of Moulin de Lafaux and three northeast of Braye en Laonnais.

British in Bullecourt.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—The British made further progress in Bullecourt and reached the western edge of the village.

On the Isonzo Front.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—An official statement by the Austrian war office admits gains for Italians on the Isonzo front, but claims a repulse of most attacks with the capture of two thousand.

Report from Berlin.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, May 17.—So far during May Germans on the western front have taken 2300 English prisoners and 2700 French. The ground captured by the Germans in the village of Rouex yesterday later was lost, following a strong British counter attack.

Italians Hold Ground.

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, May 17.—The Austrians strongly but vainly counter attacked the Italians in the positions recently gained. The Italians have taken 4021 prisoners since Monday.

GERMAN TORPEDO
BOAT IS SUNKTHE CAUSE OF THE DESTRUCTION IS NOT KNOWN TO
THE OBSERVERS

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—A German torpedo boat sank off Schiermonnik Dog Island in the North Sea off the Dutch coast. The boat struck a mine or was torpedoed.

conferred some of their powers on the advisory committee, particularly as to the purchasing of supplies.

It was asserted that General Goethals opposed building wooden ships, favoring steel, but had been compelled by the shipping board to proceed with wooden construction. Senator Weeks complained that members of the shipping board had prevented a private ship building company from raising capital and deterring individuals from investing, advising them against putting money into specific corporations.

Senators Martin, Underwood and Shaffroth were among the few democrats who defended the executive branch. Senator Lodge refuted assertions that the senate has been delaying war legislation. "Six weeks ago today the war was declared," Senator Lodge said. "We began by passing four great appropriation bills. We have passed great loan bills; we have passed through both houses a bill providing for selective conscription."

"England and Canada have been discussing conscription for three years. We've done it in both houses inside a fortnight."

Senator Poindexter said some people seemed to have the idea that the war would be won by legislation, especially as the impression seems to prevail that the whole success of the war depended upon what congress did.

"What power is it that the administration wants?" he demanded. "Does the people lack any authority to carry on the war?" He spoke of the time that had elapsed since the declaration of a state of war, adding: "And I am yet to hear of a single German submarine that has been sunk by a vessel of the United States navy."

Senator Fall commented on the failure of the administration to inform congress officially of the presence of the French and British commissioners and of the advice and suggestions which they brought for the benefit of the country.

Senator Shaffroth of Colorado, deplored criticism of the executive departments saying the various government departments have been busy every minute in the day raising an army and preparing for war.

HAMBURG GOES
WITHOUT LIGHTSHORTAGE OF COAL INTERFERES
WITH THE PRODUCTION
OF GAS

(By Associated Press.)
COPENHAGEN, May 17.—Owing to the coal shortage Hamburg is without gas except a limited supply for a few institutions. Restaurants and cafes are closed evenings or use few lamps. Streets are largely dark and households have candles.

VON HOLLWEG'S
TALK IS PRAISEDGERMAN PRESS DECLARES IT
WAS THE BEST EFFORT
OF HIS LIFE

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, May 17.—The press comment on the chancellor's speech underscores the reference to Russia as the outstanding feature. The speech is generally commended as one of the boldest and best Hollweg has yet made.

No Lawlessness
In Vladivostok

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, May 17.—It is officially stated that reports of anarchy in Vladivostok are untrue. The situation has been orderly since the overthrow of the old regime.

WAR TAXES
INCREASED
ON INCOMESHITS CITIZENS ENJOYING IN-
COMES IN EXCESS OF \$50,000
PER ANNUM

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Democratic leader Kitchin announced today that the treasury department notified him that it would be necessary to raise \$2,245,000,000 instead of \$1,800,000,000 by the war revenue bill now under debate. He will urge the support of new proposals to raise the income surtax increases on sums over \$40,000 by one fourth.

Following Kitchin's announcement, Representative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, introduced an amendment increasing the proposed surtaxes on incomes of between \$50,000 and \$80,000 from 11 to 13 1/2%. This was adopted by the committee of the whole by an overwhelming vote.

The house, voting as a committee of the whole, raised by one fourth all income taxes on incomes between \$40,000 and \$100,000. If this action prevails the government will take 45 per cent of every income of a million and over.

BIG FOREST FIRES
STOP NAVIGATION

(By Associated Press.)
DULUTH, May 17.—Thousands are fighting forest fires in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Heavy damage is reported. The dense smoke over Lake Superior has partly tied up transportation.

NO GERMAN SONGS
GO IN CALIFORNIANATIVE SONGS PUT A STOP TO
THE USE OF ENEMY'S
TONGUE

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, May 17.—The state board of education adopted resolutions today urging superintendents to make teachers cease teaching German songs in schools and have American songs sung. This action is the result of a protest to the war department by J. G. Goltz, of Montague, California, that his children were being taught German national songs. The department referred the matter to adjutant General Borree who wrote to the board of education.

NO CONSCRIPTION UNTIL
SOME TIME IN SEPTEMBER

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Secretary Baker declared he does not expect to call out the first half million of drafted men until September.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Ten companies operating bay and river boats have applied for a general increase of 15 per cent freight rates, due to increased operating expenses.

MILITARY CONFERENCE PROPOSES
PLANS FOR RENEWING FIGHTING
SPIRIT IN THE RUSSIAN ARMY

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, May 17.—The cabinet crisis is settled and the declaration policy signed.

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, May 17.—The cabinet crisis may be regarded as settled. The declaration of the government's policy, accepted by representatives of the council of workmen and soldiers delegates, with merely verbal alterations, will be signed immediately by both parties. It has been decided to take into the cabinet five representatives of the different Socialist groups which, with Kerensky who assumes the war portfolio,

makes a total of six of the groups sharing the government.

The government's declaration says that its aim is peace without annexations, or contributions, and believes that Russia's defeat would be a misfortune to all nations, and that revolutionary Russia must not permit defeat of the western allies. The declaration consents to democratization of the army, but desires to combine this with a strengthening of the fighting forces. It also promises measures for the protection of labor, settlement of the land question by a constitutional assembly, increased taxation of wealth and development of local self government.

Five peasant representatives will participate in the discussions with the government.

Generals Alexioff, Damiroff, Gurko and Brussiloff arrived today for a military conference. They declared the formation of a coalition ministry indispensable as it would make possible strong measures to re-establish discipline and the fighting spirit in the army. They believe the army will acclaim the appointment of Kerensky as minister of war as a very popular move. It is rumored that General Alexioff has resigned as commander in chief or that his resignation is pending.

POISON IN FOOD
OF GUARDSMEN
ONE OFFICER DEADTWELVE INFANTRYMEN SUFFER
AFTER EATING IN GERMAN
RESTAURANT

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURGH, May 17.—Four more soldiers of the Third Pennsylvania Infantry, on police duty in a Pittsburgh district, have been removed to hospitals suffering from the effects of poison. The whole military authorities are investigating the death of Lieutenant W. Corcoran and the illness of 12 other guardsmen last night. The soldiers were served with a meal from a restaurant conducted by Carl Miller.

SHORTAGE OF FUEL
OIL IN CALIFORNIAPRESIDENT URGED TO REMOVE
RESTRICTIONS ON RESERVES
HELD FOR NAVY

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Representative Kahn appealed today to the president to remove government restrictions on the development of California oil fields which are being held by the navy as a fuel oil reserve. Kahn said California industries, many of which had abandoned using coal, had turned to oil to find the production running behind consumption. The situation is serious.

PLENTY CLOTHING
WAS LEFT BEHINDCREWS OF DESTROYERS HUR-
RIED OFF BEFORE THEY PRO-
CURED SEA TOGS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17.—Naval officials explain the report from Queenstown that the American destroyer crews were not properly outfitted for cold weather duty. They had some of their heavy clothing left due to hurried departure, but the men had sufficient for this time of the year and more supplies are going with other destroyers.

SAN FRANCISCO BUREAU
WILL FILL VACANCIES

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—The chamber of commerce announces the organization of a "placement bureau" to supply women workers and men to take the jobs of those conscripted.

ENGLISH ALLIES
BREAK MARKET
DUMPING WHEATFUTURE CONTRACTS LIQUIDAT-
ED TO RESTORE PRICES
TO NORMAL

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, May 17.—Wheat plunging downward owing to reports that the United States had asked England and her allies to sell their immense holdings of future delivery contracts purchased in this country and which were said to be chiefly responsible for the present skyrocketing of prices.

MAYOR ROLPH SUBSCRIBES

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Mayor Rolph personally subscribed today \$50,000 to the liberty loan.

IRISH QUESTION
MAY BE SETTLED

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, has refused Lloyd George's offer to set up home rule immediately and accepted the proposal for a convention to map out a scheme of self government for Ireland.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—The British prime minister has sent a letter to John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalist party, outlining the government's project for the settlement of the home rule question. He asked Mr. Redmond to state his views on the government's suggestions in order that the government may be able to consider the matter before Monday.

As soon as the premier's proposals were available, the Irish Nationalists met to discuss the document. The Nationalists will hold a meeting on Thursday morning for the same purpose.

The government, the letter set forth, has been desirous of effecting an immediate settlement which will concede the largest possible measure of home rule that can be secured by agreement at this moment, without prejudice to the undertaking by parliament of a further and final settlement and the most disputed questions after the war.

The government's proposals provide for the introduction of a bill for the immediate application of the home rule act to Ireland, but excluding the six counties of northeast Ulster, such exclusion to be subject to reconsideration by parliament at

MATSON STEAMER
TORPEDOED WITH
FOUR LIVES LOSTUNARMED PACIFIC LINER SENT
TO THE BOTTOM OF THE
MEDITERRANEAN

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 17.—A telegram reports that American ship Hotonian was torpedoed and sunk off Genoa with the loss of four of the crew. The ship was unarmed.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—The Hotonian formerly belonged to the Matson Navigation company and operated between San Francisco and Honolulu. She registered 1800 tons and was built in 1880.

the end of five years, a council of Ireland to be composed of two delegations representing the excluded area as well as the new Irish parliament, consideration of the bill after its second reading by a special conference under the chairmanship of some one commanding general conference.

As an alternative it is suggested by the premier that a convention of Irishmen of all parties be assembled for the purpose of arranging a scheme of Irish self government.

BUTLER
THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

Exclusive Features

TONIGHT

ANNUAL SENIOR CLASS PLAY
"THE END OF THE RAINBOW"
A three-act farce comedy
One show only, at 8:15

TOMORROW

Fox Program

WILLIAM NIGH and
VIOLET PALMER
in "The Blue Streak" and one of
those fast rattling good comedies
that the Fox makes. See the
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Matinee 1:30, Evening 7 and 8:30
Admission 10c-15c